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NEWS OF THE MILLS

Did You Know?

One of the lesser known aspects of Pepperell's advertising program, but a very important one, is that done in trade magazines to sell Pepperell products to the wholesalers and stores so that they will continue to buy and feature these products for their own customers. The advertisement on the left appeared in the December issues of the *Merchants Trade Journal* and *Linens and Domestics*, which are leading magazines in the domestic field, and helped to impress our customers with the sizeable campaign that Pepperell is running in the January 10th issue of *Life* to develop consumer interest in our sheets at the time of the annual January White Sales.

Four Generations



You'd never guess it to look at him but Mr. Frapier, night watchman at Biddeford, is the great-grandfather of Victor Dorais! In back are his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Binette, and his granddaughter, Mrs. Armand Dorais, the former Marguerite Binette of Spinning Room 7-4.

Bird Feeder

Here's an item that will interest everyone who hates to throw his Christmas tree away. The Fish and Wildlife Service suggests that the tree be set up in your back yard as a bird feeder. They add, "String popcorn on the tree. Hang chunks of suet where the birds can perch. Scatter chunks of stale bread, apples, grains and seeds around the base. Set feed out frequently, but in small quantities."

Hats Off Department

Thanks to the untiring efforts of your mill editors and the Pepperell Sheet reporters, the Sheet has won an award of merit for distinguished industrial journalism again this year. Judges of the contest included the editorial director of a large steel company, the editor of a well-known oil company and a shop employee from

an electric company. It would have been impossible for the Sheet to win such an award without your cooperation and help in keeping your reporters and editors posted on the latest news. And for our New Year's resolution let's all keep up the good work!

Children's Special

The Fall River plant rings the bell again with another successful children's Christmas party. Four hundred children attended, and because there were so many, one party was held on Saturday, the 18th, and another for the rest of the children the next day. Festive Christmas decorations, presents and candy, carol singing and movies all added up to gay parties, and of course Santa Claus (Raymond Houde) made a big hit with the kiddies. Miss Corkum was in charge of the party, and helping her were Mary E. Sullivan, Irene Eldred, Mary A. Sullivan and Irene Ramalho.

No Surprise

Again this season Maurice Poissant, son of Mrs. Bernadette Poissant of the Biddeford mill, has been one of Boston College's outstanding backfield performers. Mike's successful season comes as no surprise to Pepperell people, who have been following his football career right along.

Mike, a 22-year-old junior, averaged 3.8 yards each time he carried the ball for the Eagles in 1948, and accounted for five touchdowns as his team dropped but two decisions in nine starts. He carried 90 times for 347 yards in nine games, carrying the ball nearly 20 times more than the second most industrious ball carrier. We predict that Mike will even top that record in his senior year.

Steady Tune

Requests for Pepperell's newest Sheets and Blankets booklets have been humming a steady tune — one that's reaching well over the 40,000 mark! Many of the people who have written in for the handy housekeeping guide are listeners from the radio audiences of the Marjorie Mills program and Ken and Carolyn's Yankee Kitchen. Others are readers of *Mademoiselle's* smart new magazine—

Living, and *Bride's* magazine. They represent literally every age and type of American woman from the prospective bride to the busy housewife, and the kind of women who admire and buy fine quality sheets like Pepperells.

Reminders

It would be a great help both to you and to your Employment Department if you would notify them in the event you:

1. Change your name by marriage.
2. Change your address.
3. Change your phone number or
4. Have a phone installed.
5. Have any additions to your family.
6. Want to change the beneficiary on your insurance policy.

The Cover

There's one person at Lewiston who really goes all out for winter weather, and that's Paul Whitten. Snow doesn't bother him at all—in fact the more the merrier. You see, Paul has four Eskimo dogs, and he gets just as big a kick out of a blustery cross-country ride with his team as you and I do lolling around on a warm, sandy beach! Turn to pages 8 and 9 for the story of Paul and his cold weather pets.

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"I resolve to collect more snapshots of my girl friends," says Fernande Tardif, who makes up colored Peerless sets in the Sheet Factory. Fernande is also going to rearrange her budget to save money for that eventual special day!



"Since I'm not getting any younger I'm going to have my seven children come to my home for more meals, so that we can be together as much and as long as possible," is what Antonio Cloutier resolves. He's employed at the Dye House.

I Resolve . . .

Have you made YOUR New Year's Resolutions yet? Eight of these Lewiston people have big plans, but the 9th



"Next year I'm really going to do my Christmas shopping earlier," resolves Theresa Allen, a Clerk in the Packing Room. "And I won't look at any comic books or eat so much. I can stand it!"



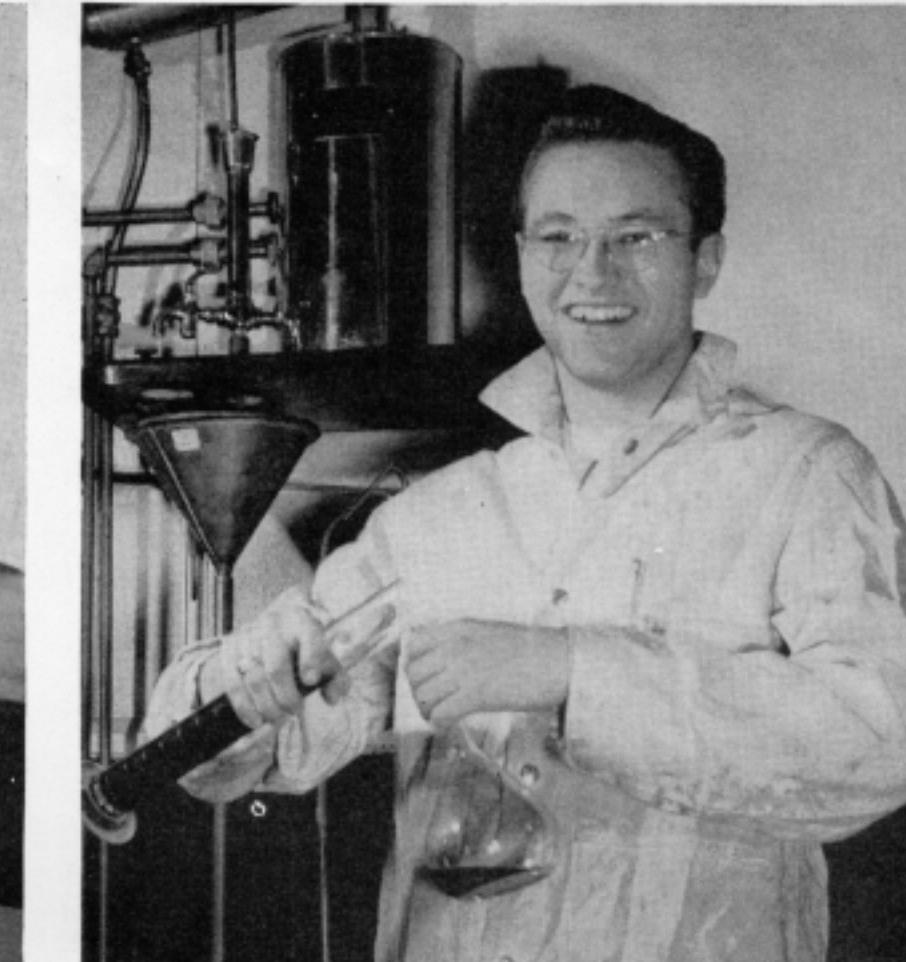
"My wife works in the Sheet Factory, and since she gets home an hour after me I resolve to get supper twice a week," says Roger Belleville, a Napier Tender. Better note that, Mrs. B.!



Mickey Turgeon, who makes up cases for shipping, says, "My New Year resolutions are to stop breaking dishes at home, to try and control my temper and to eat more so I'll gain weight."



Gloria Boisvert says, "I'm going to lay away more money for a new car. I have an older model, and it seems to be at a point where I need a new one." Gloria makes up samples, then inspects and prepares them for the New York Office.



"I resolve to shave twice a week instead of once," says Donald Campbell, Laboratory Assistant and Bates College senior. "And to give more thought to the economic budget for the benefit of Prof. Freedman—and especially myself."

—pretty Theresa Simard, right, resolves not to make any more resolutions. Theresa says, "This year I'm trying to do better without any resolutions."



"My resolution is this—and I mean it," says Leo Guay. "I've been here so long (20 years) that I'll try to be here 20 more years and have the work continue to go through right."



Theresa Simard is an Inspector on colored pillow cases. She is not making any resolutions this year.



Club members prove that you don't have to be jitterbugs to be lively steppers!

The Gang's All Here

Biddeford Quarter Century Club members and guests enjoy their latest party

OLD-FASHIONED dancing was the order of the day—or rather night, at the November 20th meeting of the Biddeford Quarter Century Club. Nearly 400 members—including seventeen new ones, met at St. John's Hall, where they spent a gala evening doing the Virginia Reel, quadrilles and other dances that were popular at the turn of the century.

The highlight of the party was the initiation of the new members. The

seventeen members who received their 25-year pins included Arthur Lantagne, Simeon Nadreau, Alfred Corriveau, Corona Cantara, Marie Lapointe, Blanche Pare, Marie Menard, Henry Gosselin, George Dionne, Sr., Adele St. Ours, Amanda Savoie, Bernadette Dutil, Yvonne Garon, Blanche Buckley, Germaine Carroll, Herbert Trafton and Blanche Desnoyers. Other members of the club to receive special recognition were the ones who

entered the 50-year group. They were Ulric Cabana, Wilfred Neault, Rose Anna Ayotte and Marie Poirier, who were presented with service pins by General Manager Lyman Smith. Harry Cavanaugh has also entered that group, but unfortunately he was ill the night of the party and was unable to attend.

The evening's entertainment was prepared by the Board of Governors of the club, with Vice President M.



**NEW
CLUB
MEMBERS**



Yvonne Garon



Alfred Corriveau



George Dionne, Sr.



Simeon Nadeau



Arthur Lantagne



Henry Gosselin



Bernadette Dutil



Amanda Savoie



Marie Menard



Blanche Buckley



Marie Lapointe



Herbert Trafton



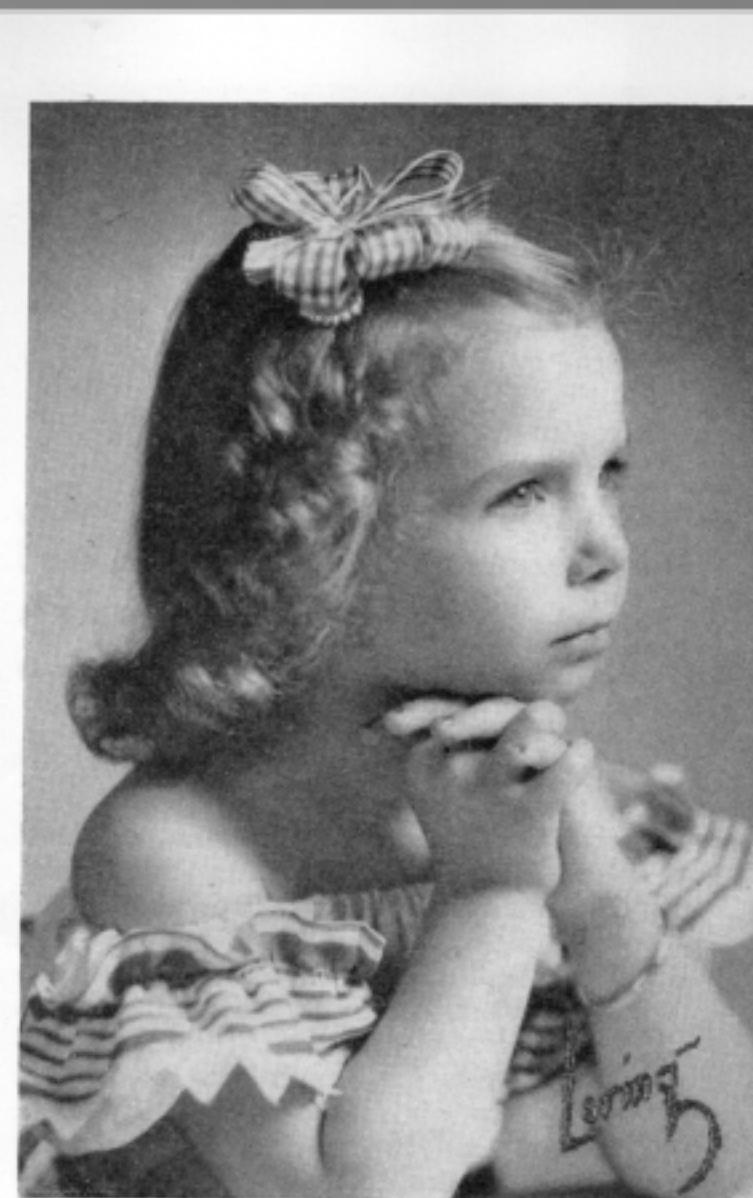
Blanche Pare



Blanche Desnoyers



Adele St. Ours



This little glamour gal is Janet Ouellette, and she's just four-and-a-half years old. Her mother, Mrs. Frances Ouellette, is employed in B Weave Room at the mill.



The Pouliot boys, Raymond and Richard, and their mother, Mariette, who works in Rayon Winding Department.



Dorothy Ellen's grandmother is Mary Corrigan, who is employed in the Rayon Winding Dept. at the plant.



Roger Cyr hopes to be a great pianist some day, so he's getting an early start under the training of Miss Yolande Breault. His mother and dad are Irene and George Cyr, workers in B Weave

Junior Size

Pride of Pepperell people at Fall River



Adrian Chagnon's dad works in the Stock Room at the plant. Five-year-old Adrian was born in sunny Florida.



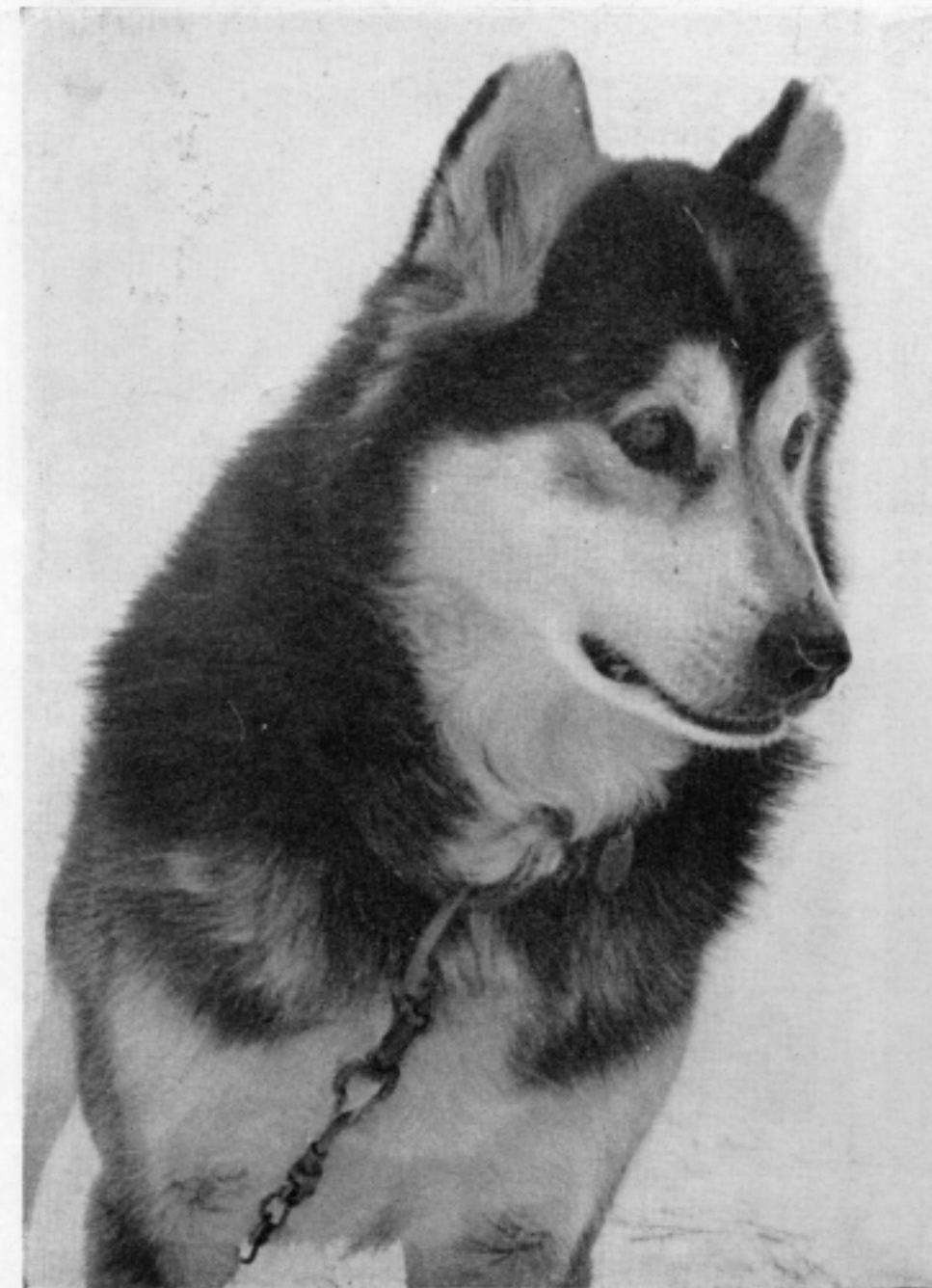
These chubby little fellows are Donald and Karl, nephews of Rosa Medeiros, employee of the Spinning Department.



Fred Walker of the Fall River Cafeteria staff is the proud father of Lily-Ann, who is just one year old.



Blonde Madeline O'Neil is the daughter of James O'Neil, an employee in the plant's Rayon Winding Dept.



A small head and short ears are characteristics of Eskimo dogs like Rex, Paul Whitten's lead dog, and the other three dogs of his pack. Even when the temperature goes as low as 20 below zero, these dogs prefer sleeping outdoors with a thick layer of snow all over them.



Paul finds it amazing how tangled the dogs can get while he's hitching them to the sled. He puts the small harness on the lead dog at the last minute, gives the signal and away they go! Practically every day there's snow Paul hitches up his team for a ride after work.

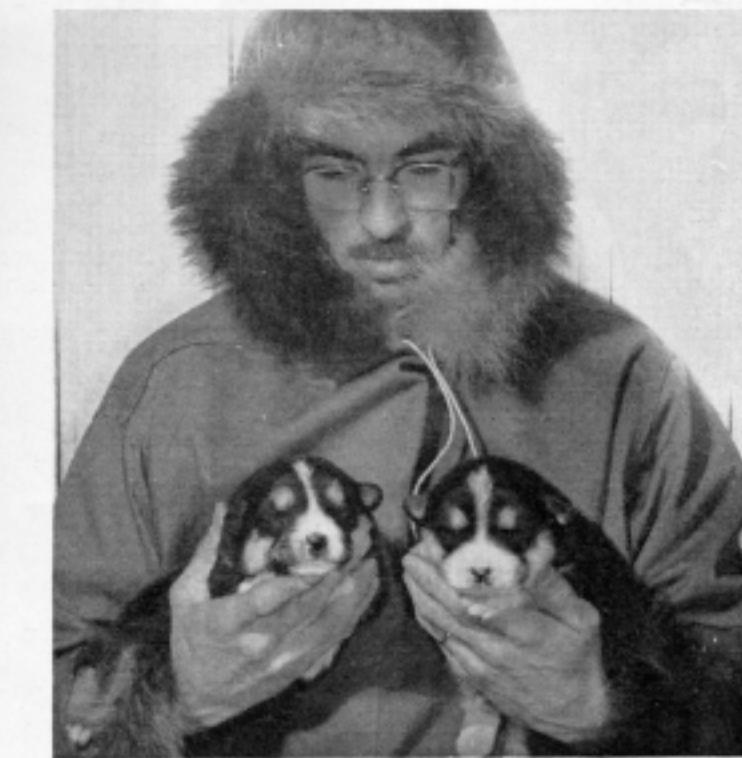
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Mush

Mush came from the French word, "marche". To Paul Whitten of Lewiston it's the signal for his Eskimo dogs to snap into action

THERE'S nothing better than a cold, blustery day with plenty of snow—at least that's what Paul Whitten of Lewiston thinks. And if you raised Eskimo dogs as a hobby you'd probably agree with him. Paul has four of these dogs, and almost every day when there's snow on the ground he hitches up his team and goes for a little cross country ride after he gets home from working in the Bleachery. It's not the kind of a sport that speed demons go in for, but Paul finds that it has its own thrills. Especially in below zero weather with a whipping wind. That's when it's most invigorating and when the dogs are raring to go.

Paul has raised his Eskimo dogs since they were pups. He says they're not to be confused with ordinary huskies that have been trained to haul sleds—his dogs actually come from the Baffin Island region, and are real Eskimo dogs. In fact the mother of Rex, his lead dog, has hauled sleds in the Polar Region. Paul's dogs are just as affectionate



Dressed in his fur-lined parka, Paul Whitten can keep nearly as warm in sub-zero weather as the Eskimo dogs he's raised from pups. Here the pups are so young their eyes haven't even opened yet!

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as you'd expect any pet to be. They get the usual care and feeding, and the only difference is that they prefer a snowbank to a warm spot behind the stove. His dogs stay outdoors the year round, and even when it's around 20 below zero you'll see them curled up in the snow with a layer of frost all over their bodies. And they're actually not cold, because they have two coats of hair. One is very curly and right next to the skin, and the other is long.

Lead Dog

Eskimo dogs take to sled work naturally and seem to need very little training. The lead dog is the master of the pack. He's smart, a good fighter, and quick to obey his master's commands. That's how he becomes the boss of the pack, and he's the most important feature of a good team. Rex is Paul's lead dog, and it's amazing to see him whip into action the minute Paul gives a command. Incidentally, Paul tells us that the word "mush" comes from the French word "marche," which is the command word for the dogs to go ahead.

The usual hitch for drawing a sled cross country is in pairs, with a single lead dog in front. If there is to be much traveling through woods the hitch would be in tandem, or single file, because of the narrow trails. In the open regions of the North, the Eskimos use a fan-shaped hitch, with each dog hooked separately to the sled. In this way each dog pulls his share, and if a bear is sighted the dogs can instantly be turned loose to give chase.

Paul's Eskimo dogs are amazingly strong. When the Sheet photographer was getting the pictures, Paul tied the sled to the bumper of his half-ton truck while he separately harnessed each dog and put him in place. The lead dog was put in position last, and before Paul could get to the sled to release it from the truck the dogs had pulled both sled and truck across the snow!

Unusual Pets

Paul seems to go in for unusual pets in a big way. It was just a year ago that a story of his goat farm appeared in the Sheet with a picture of Paul and two of the goats on the cover and now here he is raising Eskimo dogs! Not to wish his cold weather pets any hard luck—but here's hoping they'll be just as happy with half as much snow as they had last year!

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For cross-country riding the usual hitch is in pairs. Now Paul is teaching the dog behind the lead dog to become a lead dog (!) by following the commands given Rex. Lots of Paul's fellow workers at the Bleachery bring their children out, and they never leave without a thrilling ride on the Eskimo dog sled.



Everything from local sports to the international situation gets a noontime airing when these men get together. Joining in the spirited discussion are George Desnoyer, Ray Remillard, William Belshaw, James Camara, Albert Charette, Manuel Augiar.



Truck driver Manuel Andrade relaxes with Smoky, the pet cat who makes her home in the Boiler House, Fall River.

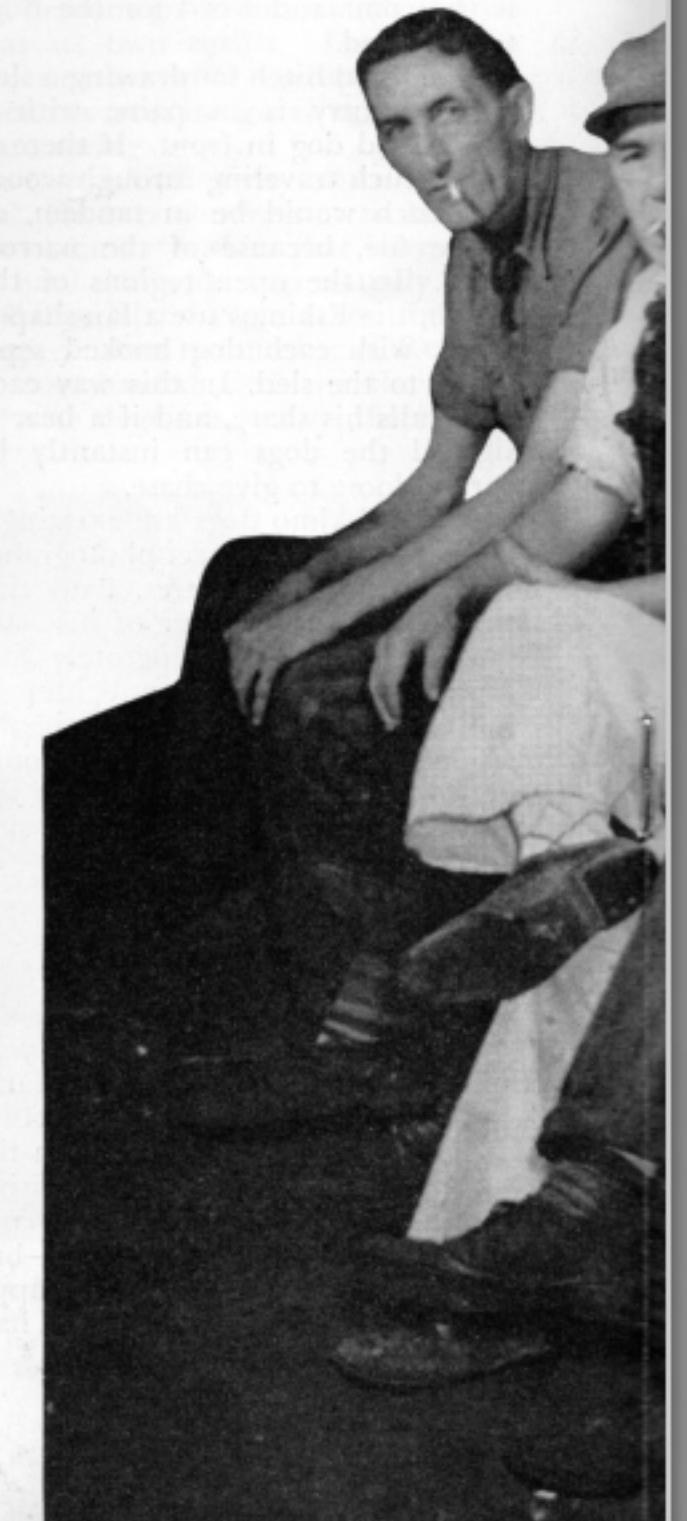


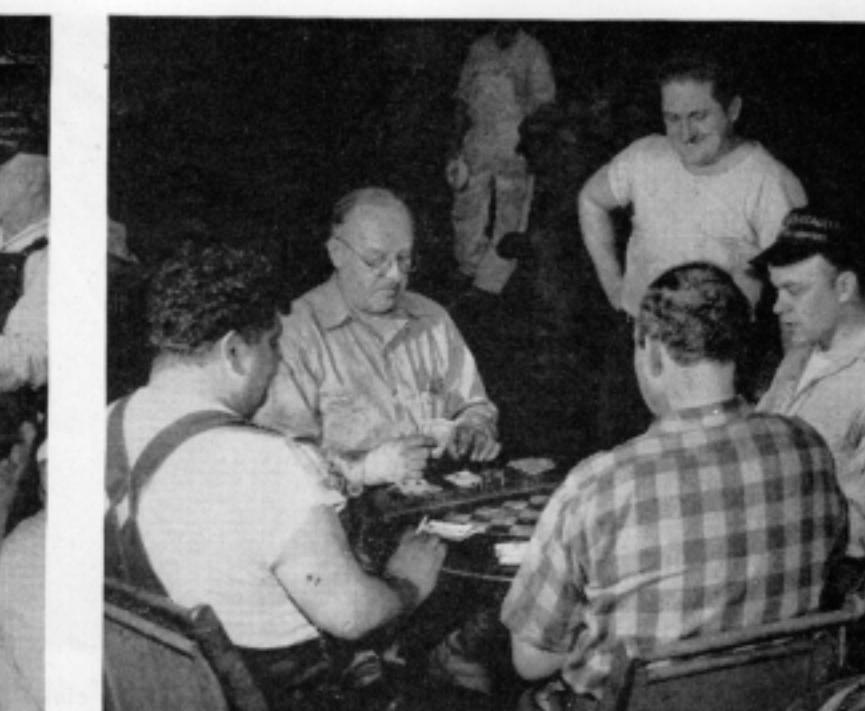
Another pipe smoker is Tom Hughes, and below is Pat Lovett, who takes advantage of his lunch hour to get in forty winks.



While the radio keeps them posted on the Fred Lepage, Bill Snyder, Amedee Carpentier, and Juan Pedrosa play cards. Jim Costa does heavy

Line forms on the right! Tom Tolan, Bill E. Wilfred Moss, Bill Shanahan, William Lizotte, James Marum and Joe Enos line up for





A day's news,
tier and Man-
ny looking on.

Ray Barnes, Manny Santos, Frank Viveiros, Arthur Paul, Tom Fitzgerald, Arthur Caldwell and John Mendonza try their luck at a game of pitch in the recreation room.

Cribbage fans are Machinist Leo Durand, Boss Machinist Harold Marston, Carpenter Rudy Lepage and Janitor Manuel Benevides. George Choquette kibitzes at game.

Harrington,
ette, George
for a smoke.



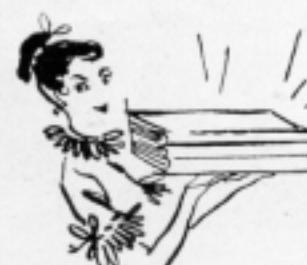
Time To Light Up..

. . . and relax with Fall River men during
their lunch periods. First stop is the
Cafeteria for lunch, then it's out
with the smokes



HOW MANY PEOPLE DOES IT TAKE TO MAKE A SHEET ?

So far in this series you've seen 29 of the people who work on the early steps of making a sheet. This month the total mounts to 50, and there are still more to come. It makes you stop and think—how it takes all of us working together to turn out a good product.



30. "Keep it clean" is Ray Lapointe's motto, and it's mighty important in a textile mill. The spinning frames and the floor keep him busy all the time.



31. Laura Paquette is a Doffer. It's her job to keep removing bobbins from the spinning frame as they are filled, and replace them with empty bobbins.



32. Meanwhile Fernand Perron sees to it that Doffers are kept supplied with empty bobbins. He also trucks filling yarn on the next step of its journey.



33. Edmund Bedard is what is known as a Spindle Plumber. He makes periodic checks and adjustments to keep spindles running true at all times.



34. Spinning frames are delicate, and need constant attention to keep them in good mechanical order. That's the job of Frame Fixer Conrad Baillargeon.



35. Meanwhile, bobbins that come back from the weave room to be used again on spinning frame must have remaining yarn removed by Conrad Nolette.



36. **Trucker Alexander Gallant** keeps Warp Yarn Doffers supplied with empty bobbins, and trucks full bobbins to the next process, called Spooling.



37. **The Twister** makes ply yarn for sheet selvage by twisting ends of single yarn together. Tender Pete DuBois creels, doffs, pieces broken ends.



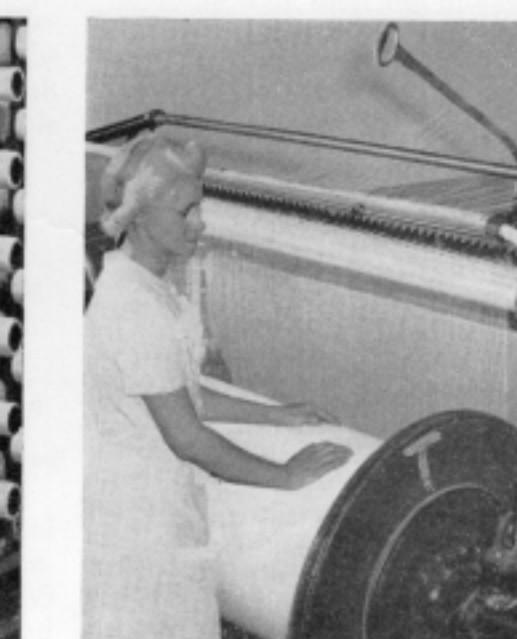
38. Now the warp yarn arrives at the Barber-Colman Spooler. Ray Chretien places the yarn on the spooler, and removes empty bobbins to be trucked off.



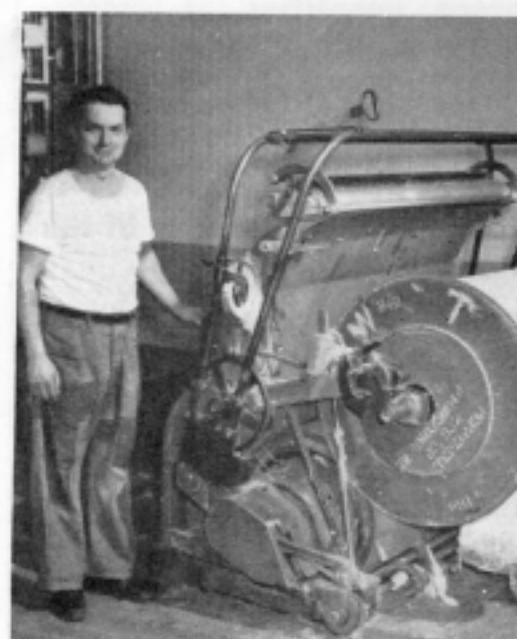
39. **The Spooler** winds yarn from small warp bobbins onto big cheeses. Tender Pauline Trottier puts the bobbins in the machine and takes off the cheeses.



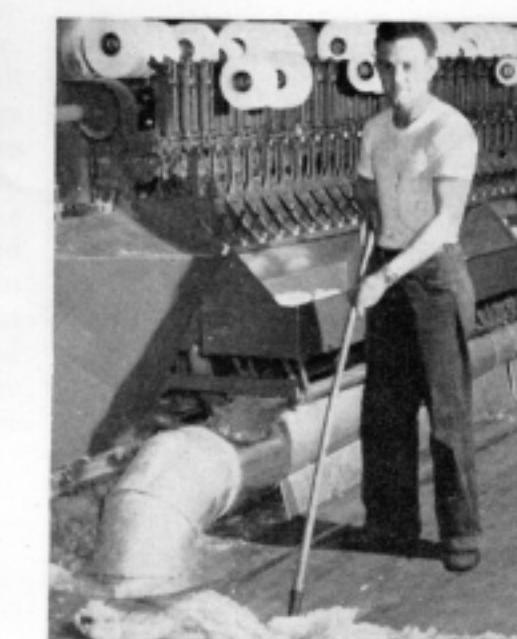
40. The cheeses from the spooler are put on the warper to be wound on large warp beams. Theresa Chretien puts on the full cheeses, takes off empty ones.



41. **Antoinette Arel** is a Warper Tender. She starts yarn winding on new beams and prepares full ones to be taken off, besides repairing broken ends.



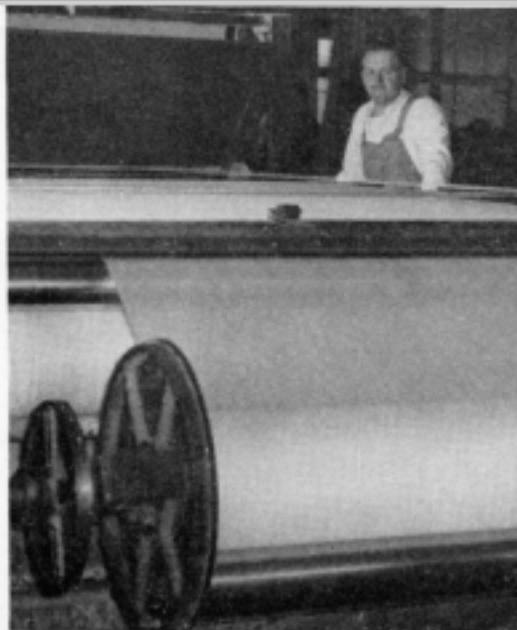
42. As the warp beams are filled, Bob Boisonneault removes and replaces them with empty beams. Then he weighs and trucks them to Slash Room.



43. **Albert Mondville** has the important responsibility of keeping the spoolers and the floor around them clean, so that lint will not clog up the machines.



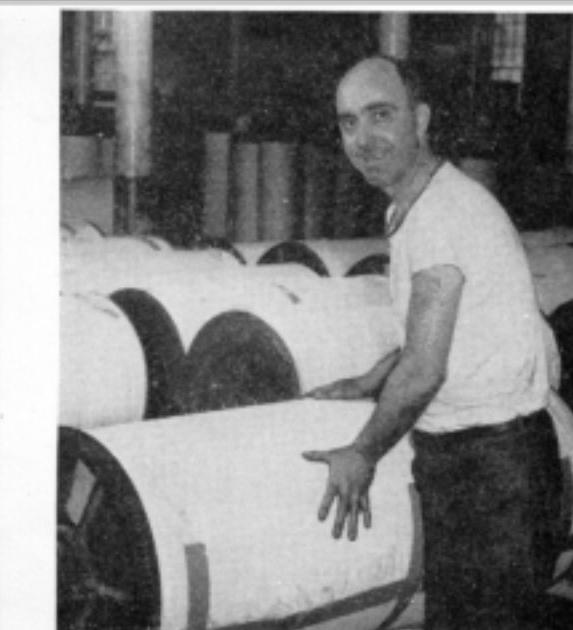
44. **The Slasher** winds yarn from several beams onto one loom beam, at the same time giving yarn a protective coating. Richard Boisvert is a Slasher Helper.



45. **The Slasher Tender**, Thomas Thibodeau, runs the machine. He also puts in empty loom beams and takes off full ones, and repairs any ends that break.



46. **Zepherin Dube** makes the size with which the slasher coats the yarn. He mixes starch and water, then cooks it until it is just the right consistency.



47. **Romeo Roderique** takes full loom beams from the slasher room to a stand in the knot tying room, also returns empty beams from weave to slasher.



48. **Louis Simoneau**, knot tyer operator, prepares harness lease to which loom beam will be automatically tied by Barber-Colman knot tyer.



49. **The knot tyer helper**, Albert Mondville, puts the leases and the loom beams on the machine, and removes them after the tying is done.



50. **At last the loom beams are off** to the weave room, trucked electrically by Alfred Corriveau. Some people think spinning and weaving are all it takes to make a sheet. While those are the chief operations, think of all the people in this picture series who must work on the cotton before it is ready to weave.

To be continued—



Fifty people so far have worked on making this sheet, and there are still more to come. We'll continue the series next month. Of course it's obvious that these same people have been making not one sheet during this time, but great quantities of sheets. Still, the fact remains that each man or woman who does one of these jobs in the mill has an important and necessary part in the making of the final product. The way each one does his or her job has a direct effect on the quality of the finished Lady Pepperell Sheet, and consequently on the sales on which all jobs depend. So it's nice to think that the good work you do is helping not only yourself but all your friends in the mill.



Marjorie Mills Recipes

tear this
page off
and
save

Baked Pork Chops with Apples

6 pork chops	4 large apples, cored
1 tablespoon fat	but not peeled
Salt and pepper	Brown sugar
1/2 cup hot water	

Heat fat in a skillet and brown chops on both sides thoroughly. Season with salt and pepper. Place in a baking dish. Core and wash apples; cut into thick crosswise slices and arrange on chops. Sprinkle with brown sugar; add hot water to skillet in which chops were browned; pour over chops and apples. Cover and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) for 35 to 45 minutes or until chops and apples are tender. Baste occasionally, adding a little more hot water if necessary.

Macaroni and Meat Loaf

3 quarts boiling water	1 tablespoon minced onion
1 tablespoon salt	1/4 cup chopped pimento
6 ounces elbow macaroni	1 teaspoon salt
1 cup bread crumbs	2 eggs, beaten
1 cup milk	1 cup ground or finely chopped meat
1/4 cup grated cheese	1/4 cup leftover gravy

Add salt to boiling water and gradually add macaroni. Continue boiling until tender, then drain and rinse. Combine bread crumbs, milk, grated cheese, parsley, onion and pimento. Add salt and a dash of pepper and fold in eggs and macaroni. Put half the mixture into a greased loaf pan. Combine meat and gravy, season and spread over the macaroni. Top with macaroni and press down. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) about 1 hour. Turn out on a hot platter and serve, with cooked vegetables and a salad. Slices of the loaf may be served with a tomato sauce if desired. Serves 6.

Candied Carrots

1 1/2 pounds carrots	1/4 cup light brown sugar
1/4 cup butter or margarine	Salt

Scrape carrots, cut into quarters if large, or halves if small. Cook in salted boiling water until just tender. Drain. Melt butter in a skillet and add sugar.

Stir until melted. Add carrots and cook until carrots are glazed. Serves 6. A dash of grated lemon rind and 1 tablespoon lemon juice may be added to the syrup.

Golden Stuffed Potatoes

4 baked potatoes	1 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup rich milk	Dash of pepper
2 tablespoons butter or margarine	1/4 cup grated raw carrots

Bake potatoes. Cut a slice from the top of each. Scoop out potato pulp, mash thoroughly, then whip until fluffy and light adding the milk, butter or margarine and seasonings. Fold in carrots. Refill potato shells and bake in a very hot oven for 5 to 10 minutes (450 degrees). The slight cooking gives the carrots added flavor. Garnish with parsley. Very attractive for a vegetable plate.

Molded Vegetable Salad

1 package lemon gelatin	peppers
1 1/2 cups hot water	2 teaspoons minced onion
1 1/2 cups shredded crisp cabbage	1 teaspoon salt
1 cup cooked beets, cut into thin strips	3 tablespoons vinegar or lemon juice
2 tablespoons chopped green horseradish	1 teaspoon prepared horseradish

Dissolve gelatin in hot water. Cool until partially thickened. Combine remaining ingredients and let stand 30 minutes. Fold into gelatin. Mold and chill. When firm, unmold on crisp salad greens and serve with French mayonnaise. Serves 6.

Baked Winter Squash

2 pounds Hubbard or other squash	2 tablespoons butter or margarine
Salt and pepper	2 tablespoons light molasses

Cut squash into 2-inch squares, remove seeds and stringy portion and place in a baking dish. Place 1/2 teaspoon butter or margarine in each square. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Cover and bake 30 minutes at 350 degrees, then uncover and continue baking until squash is tender, about 20 minutes longer. Serve in the shell. Serves 4.

Caramel Custards

1/2 cup sugar	2 cups milk
2 eggs, slightly beaten	scalded
1/4 cup butter or margarine	1/2 teaspoon vanilla
Salt	Dash of salt

Place 1/4 cup sugar in a skillet over a low flame and stir until melted. When amber in color, pour into 4 small custard cups. Mix remaining sugar with slightly

beaten eggs, and add milk, salt and vanilla. Pour into cups. Place in a pan of hot water and bake at 325 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes or until knife inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool, chill, then unmold onto serving dishes. Serves 4.

Mother's Gingersnaps

1 cup sugar	cinnamon
1 cup molasses	2 teaspoons ginger
1 scant cup butter or margarine	2 teaspoons soda
1 egg	1 tablespoon cider vinegar
2 teaspoons vanilla	Flour to make a stiff dough
1 teaspoon	

Mix together sugar and shortening, blending well, then add molasses, vanilla and beaten egg. Add vinegar and mix well with enough flour to make a dough stiff enough to roll. Chill dough. Roll very thin—the thinner these cookies, the more crisp and delicious. Cut into desired shapes and place on a greased baking sheet. Bake at 350 degrees about 7 to 8 minutes or until lightly browned at the edges. Watch carefully as the cookies burn easily. Makes a large quantity and the recipe can be halved, or the full amount made, half the dough rolled and baked and the remainder stored in a covered bowl in the refrigerator for a few days.

Chewy Brownies

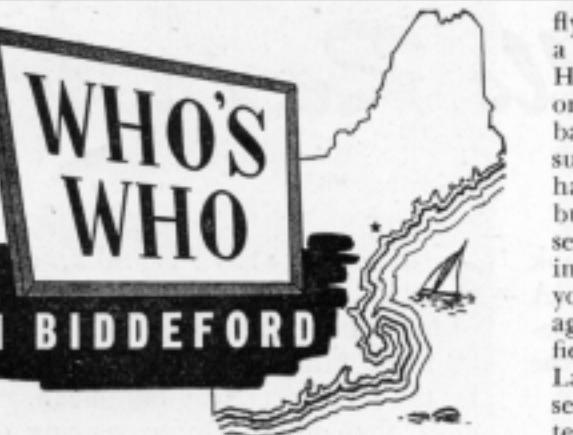
2 eggs	1 cup chopped nut meats
1 cup sugar	2 squares melted chocolate
1/2 cup shortening	1/2 cup sifted all-purpose flour
	1 teaspoon vanilla

Beat eggs, melt the shortening and chocolate together in a pan; remove from heat and stir in sugar, salt, vanilla, eggs and flour. Stir in the nut meats. Turn into a well-greased shallow pan to make a layer about 3/4 inch thick. Bake at 350 degrees about 25 to 30 minutes, taking care not to overbake.

Quick Fudge

2 7-ounce bars or packages semi-sweet chocolate	1 teaspoon vanilla
1 can sweetened condensed milk	Dash of salt
	1 cup chopped nut meats

Put chocolate in the top of a double boiler and stir over hot water until melted. Add condensed milk and salt and stir and cook until the mixture is thick and creamy, 5 to 8 minutes. Remove from heat. Add vanilla and nut meats, mix well and turn into a greased pan. No beating is necessary. Chill several hours, then mark into squares. Makes about 2 pounds.



MECHANICAL DEPT.

Fred Grace has increased his family by the addition of a son-in-law. . . . A good many hours have been spent by the local nimrods but as far as we are able to discover, deer are still a minus quantity. Perhaps these boys should have followed the advice given by Judge Bean, in looking on trees for deer. The Judge did and it paid off several years ago. He was simply walking along and noticed in the fork of a tree, a deer that had been wedged in from one of his high jumps. . . . The Duke of Paduka, with his new Studebaker, has at last found a parking place for it, much to the relief of the Maintenance Crews. . . . Punctuality at the clocks is much more noticeable lately with Clarence and Hartley. It could be, well, the weather for one reason, but don't think that is it. . . . Ken Foss, who by the way has officially closed the Sandy Brook Light House for the season, did his part last week in playing Santa, considering his quantity of home constructed toys brought into the mill. . . . C. Leach spent his vacation hunting and painting the camp. Do not confuse this with first hunting for the camp and then painting it. . . . Willie Vermette has purchased a new motor. He is undecided what to do with it unless he could sell it cheap. . . . Willie Boucher, the Don Juan of Elevator No. 6, requests that people only ring once for him, and that at present he does not have a short wave set. . . . Ray Cole should really talk more if he is to fill the shoes his father left in the Machine Shop. . . . Just our opinion of course, but the Yard Crews have pruned the shrubs for the coming season and all looks spick and span. By the way, if they handle the snow like last year, we can see little chance for any soap box oratory. . . . Wash Emerson, our reliable philosopher, has come up with a new one for this time of year when the cold winds blow the drifted snow, by calling our attention to the fact that a chip on the fire is worth more than ten on the shoulder.

BLANKET CARDING

REPORTERS: Katrinka and Janet Caron

Sorry to lose you to the first shift, Armand, but from all reports we hear someone is much happier. Wonder who? . . . We all thought, Vic, that you were going to copy Eddie Cantor until we got the news of the arrival of a bouncing boy. . . . Glad to see you back at work again, Cecile. . . . Guess you won't have to wait till next year to see Biddeford win, Pat! . . . We wish to extend a hearty welcome to Melvin Thompson as our new spool ripper. . . . We can't see, Adrien, why you need a fire to keep that "fireball" engine warm this winter. . . . We can't seem to figure out whether Roland Lantagne is trying to scare someone out of seven years' growth or age them every afternoon with his quiet "Hi." . . . We suppose, Willie, by the time this is in print you will have said your "I do." . . . We are sorry to hear you are out ill, Evelyn. Hope to see you back at your

fly frames in 15-5. . . . Yo-Yo is here and what a fever. Pete, where did you get your Yo-Yo? How about showing us how to maneuver one of those things? . . . Roger may be a little bashful during working hours, but outside he sure does attract the girls. We found out he has a steady now, and a cute trick, too. Wow, but can he pick 'em. . . . Seeing the football season is at an end, Lucien Provencier, fixer in 15-5, is so sad. Better start paying off your bets, Lou. Too bad, but your team lost again. . . . There seems to be another football field in 15-4. Goes by the name of Roland Lantagne. What will it be now, Roland? I see you bowling quite a few times. With the team now? . . . Hey! That was Mrs. Mullins in the new car. Pontiac, Fran? How about a lift to Bangor, the old hometown? . . . No trip to Canada, Roland? . . . Mr. N. Beaupre accidentally burned three fingers on his left hand recently while working at his home. No matter how painful it was, he was on his job as oiler in 15-5, just as though nothing was wrong. I'll keep my fingers crossed for you to get better very soon, Mr. B. . . . Whatever becomes of Lorraine D., during lunch time. Come on out of that corner, Mrs. Devou. We never see you outside of working hours, you know. . . . Lorraine and husband have very recently purchased a beautiful home on Vincent Avenue. Some people have all the luck. How do you like the new place, Mrs. D? Don't forget, we would like to see it, too. . . . Yvette Chouinard is a newcomer on the fly frames. She was with the winders in Room 15-2 before her transfer to 15-5. Welcome to our "Club 15-5" Yvette. Hope you like it with us. . . . The New Look: In 15-5, the new look happens to be a Red Feather in your hat. Just proof that we are 100% for the Community Chest Drive. . . . Rose Trotter is still telling us about her trip to Boston recently. She has also been showing us a few gifts that she bought while there. By the way, what was that cocktail, Rose? One to a customer, huh? She had such a swell time, that she wants to go again in the near future.

BLENDED FABRICS

REPORTERS: Jeanette Giroux, Pauline Potvin, Irene Bineau, Mary Parenteau, Edgar Maillet, Jean Gibbens

Hello, Everybody. Before telling you anything about my fellow workers, I would like to take you on a tour around our department. . . . Are you ready? Well, let's go. Now we are standing before the door that takes us into 18 mill. Let's go in. Now that we are in, let me tell you about this department we are in now. This is 18-2 and to my right is where the girls inspect the cloth that comes from the weave room which is just below. As you can see, this cloth is not sheeting or blankets, but our new product—The Blended Fabrics. This material is used for fine suiting. Notice how carefully it is inspected for defects. These girls are experts at their work and take it very seriously. Now let's move on to the other side of the floor. Now this is the stock room where all parts are kept. It is kept very orderly. The responsibility of this stock room belongs to Ralph Henry. He takes it very seriously, as you can see. . . . Now let's move on by these offices. The first one is where you can find Mr. Emery during the day. This second one is where the office girls work. This third office belongs to Mr. Harrison. He is superintendent of this Blended Fabrics Division. We are now standing before the slasher. This huge machine is where they beam the yarn. As you can see at the front of this machine there is a big spool with thousands of threads. Look behind this machine and you can see many less big spools. On these there are

less threads and they put as many as they need to make the big one on front of the machine. The small spool may have two or three hundred threads and the one that comes out in front has four to eight thousand. It is all according to the number of small spools they use. I'd like to tell you more about this machine, but let's continue our tour. . . . This is where they draw warps. As you can see these girls are drawing a thread through each of these heddles. These are on a frame which is called a harness. Let's look at this girl over here, she's got that job done and is now drawing these threads through the reed. The number of threads that go in each of these tiny spaces vary according to the style of cloth wanted. Well you've seen how they draw warps. Let's go and see the warper, on the other side of the room. Here they make those small beams to put on the slasher. Each of those cones behind represent one thread on this spool in front. They vary according to the size wanted. . . . Down the middle of this room is where they pile the rolls of cloth and wrap the inspected rolls 3 in a bundle. These are to be shipped. . . . Let's go downstairs to the weave room now and you can see where this cloth is made. . . . Here we are, and now I leave you to move around from loom to loom so you can see the different styles of cloth on each of these machines. Now that you have seen these departments, let's go out some place and I'll tell you about some interesting things about these workers. . . . You take the second hand over there. His name is Raynald Labbe. He's been on his vacation and he told me he didn't do anything but rest. I can't see any better way to spend a vacation, can you? . . . Leopold Rosignol replaced Mr. Labbe as second hand for that week. Leo, as we call him, seems to have the know-how acting as the man in charge. May we compliment you, Leo. . . . William Jackson tells us that his marriage to Miss Charlotte Stanford on June 6th of this year was never mentioned in The Pepperell Sheet. Our apologies, William. Somehow it was overlooked. May we congratulate you both even though we are late. . . . Russell Fletcher has been going hunting practically every day since the deer season has been opened. He hasn't gotten a deer yet, but he has hopes of getting one before the season ends. I can see that Russell is not as lucky at hunting as he is at playing cribbage with me. He always gets his share of the games. . . . We are sorry to say that Raymond Fecteau is leaving us to go on the first shift. Raymond has been weaving on the second shift for sometime and all the time he was looking forward to going on the first shift. Now his chance has come. We wish him luck with his work and want to say that we all liked working with him. . . . Bernard Frost bought a new home recently. It is an 80-acre farm about 2½ miles from town. It is located on the Buxton Road. He says that he likes it very much. . . . After the Presidential Election everyone calls Bernard "Harry." This is because he looks so much like Mr. Truman and he has a "Harry Truman" smile. . . . Lena Snyder was transferred from 18-3 to 18-1 and now is learning to be a weaver. We welcome you, Lena, and wish you much success on your new job. You will see there is much difference in this work in comparison to twisting. . . . Jean Gibbens, who always smiles when she meets her fellow workers, hasn't smiled as much lately, and we know why. Her father-in-law died and she took it pretty hard. We want to offer you our sympathy, Jean. We understand that you and your husband drove all the way to Ohio and back so that you might be there for the funeral. . . . Wedding bells ring every day, but they'll probably ring very soon for one of our own.

With Uncle Sam's consent in providing adequate leave, Raymond Cyr, P.F.C. - U. S. M. C., stationed at U. S. Navy Yard, Philadelphia, will marry Theresa Roy, an inspector in 18-2. "Terry," if the happy event has already taken place by the time you read this, please accept our sincerest wishes for a happy and prosperous married life. . . . Everybody is familiar with "It's Tommy Tucker Time" and other similar slogans; but 18-2 has a new one—"It's lollipop time"—What's the joke, Mrs. Dutremble? . . . Mrs. Gagnon has returned to the second shift once again. Glad to see you back, Mrs. Gagnon. . . . Theresa Dube has joined the second shift in 18-2. She's only the fourth "Theresa" but I guess we will manage to find nicknames for all. . . . Jeannette St. Ours was in Boston doing Christmas shopping. Her husband and children went to see the Rodeo Show. . . . Bill made a New Year's resolution to drink "milk" only. He wants to put on weight. . . . Leslie wants to know how everybody saw his painting without him knowing it. Keep it up, it's beautiful work. . . . We miss Jeannette; hope to see you on the first shift soon. . . . Jeannette, Betty, Lillian and Perreault are transferred from first shift to second shift. . . . Helena Camire went to a wedding in Sanford on November 13th. She reported a swell time. . . . Here's wishing everybody a Happy New Year. . . . Irene Lamontagne enjoyed the Rodeo Show at the Garden, also the ride. If you see her, ask her about it, she will tell you. . . . Florence Bernier, who has been working in Dept. 18-2, has to stay home on account of ill health. Hope you will be well soon, Florence. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lavigne, who were married recently. . . . Happy Birthday, Ruth, and many more to come. This is our wish to you. . . . Henry has asked to be transferred to the weave room. We wish you good luck on your new job, Henry. . . . Janet and family were in Boston where they enjoyed the Rodeo Show.

AROUND THE PLANT

REPORTER: *Mary Seal*

We would like to know how Renald Dumont likes married life. How do you like it, Simonne? . . . It is too bad, Andre Paquette, when you like a girl and you are too bashful to ask her for a date. . . . Simonne Fournier is doing pretty good on batteries. I think that she will make a good battery hand. . . . Rachel Goulet, are you still interested in football games? I think it is a very good pastime. . . . Yvette Boisvert weaves once in a while and says that she likes it very much. . . . Irene Lizotte is glad that her Reno came down on a vacation. Oh, boy, did you go places with him. . . . You should see how Bertha Lachance has lost weight. She wasn't feeling well for awhile, that is why she has lost so much weight. . . . There is a cleaner in 13-1. He is a very lively boy for his age and he gets along fine with everybody—it is Mr. Ouellette. . . . Mrs. Martel is a woman of good courage. She has quite a family and now she is working as a cleaner in 13-1. You should see the nice car that she has. . . . We are glad to have Mrs. Lawrence Landry back to work again. She is a good worker. . . . Gilbert Lizotte of 13-1, how did you like your trip to Boston? We hope that you had a wonderful time.

DYE HOUSE

REPORTER: *David Metcalf*

This is the month when a lot of us fellows are out tramping across the fields and thru the woods hoping we may be lucky enough to bring home the venison. So far there has



Miss Canada of the Canado-Americaine was Rita Gaudreau, niece of Rose Gaudreau of Room 18-3. With her are Biddeford's Fr. Fortier and Msgr. Decary, his nephew Fr. Decary of Canada, and Doris Bernier and Raoul Fecteau, Bfd.

been no one from the Dyehouse with that luck, except "Nap" Toucault. He got a good close shot at a five-point buck, but he missed. Must be "Buck Fever"? We got the salt story, too. . . . We welcome two new men to the Dyehouse this month, Wilfred Dion and Wilfred Auclair. Hope you like your work and that your stay with us will be a long one. . . . I asked Bob Lachance for some news and he notifies us that the Hills Beach breakwater is still there at Hills Beach. He checks on it every morning after he gets out of bed. . . . We are sorry to hear that Renald Boisvert's wife is in the hospital. Hope she is out soon and that her recovery is a quick one. . . . The boys from the Dyehouse also extend deep sympathy to Joseph Lantagne on the death of his mother. . . . Chester Littlefield offered us a weather forecast for news. Rain. Donat Vachon is all excited. He says he has hot tips on a couple of ponies that can't miss in the mud. With his luck, he will hit 'em, too. . . . Arthur Tellier, our fixer, has a son Renald, who enlisted in the Army this last month. He is stationed at Fort Dix, N. J. for the present. . . . Has anyone noticed "Billy" Metcalf's bright eyes lately. Yes sir, it's there, and the reason is because a new Prince was born.

BLANKET CLOTH ROOM

REPORTERS: *Cleo Mantis, Vivian Bizantakos*

Evelyn had a surprise housewarming at her home one evening. A good time was reported by all. . . . Janice stole the whole show by demonstrating the new look in chapeaux. (That's French for "hats"). . . . Some girls made the runs of the season and not on baseball either. Nylons sure don't last long, especially when sliding down banisters and climbing downstairs the way Janice and Kay do it. . . . Speaking of Kay, it was swell seeing her again, and glad to hear she is feeling much better. . . . Madeline made quite a haul that night. Good thing the party broke up or Evelyn would be minus a refrigerator. All kidding aside—those sandwiches were good. . . . Andy celebrated a birthday this month. Couldn't find out how old he was, but Roland informs us "he's a man." . . . Patrice reported a fine vacation, and was she busy! My, that phone just didn't stop ringing. . . . Miss B. also reported a fine vacation. Were you on your best behavior, Miss "B"? . . . Jeannette is exercising her vocal chords in the hope that she may sing over the new station. In the meantime, she may be heard at 9 o'clock

BLANKET WEAVING

REPORTERS: *Jeanne Laitres and Floriette Cote*

Lorraine Kallstrom made a trip to Boston one Saturday night to attend the Rodeo. We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Emma Gagnon and Mr. Cookson whose mother died recently. . . . L. Gobeil is quite a weaver, I should say. . . . Mr. Bergeron came back from his hunting trip without a deer, wonder if he really went. . . . Georgette Jacques says the scenery is beautiful in the White Mountains at this time of the year. . . . Oh, little Christ Child, bless this mill

Who's Who in Biddeford—Cont.
 and those who herein dwell. Give them joy and peace each day and keep them safe and well year 'round. Merry Christmas and a Happy, Happy New Year. . . . Good luck to Mr. Coulombe, Bisailon and Mrs. Valliere who have been transferred to other departments. Hope you like your new jobs, as we miss you. Arthur claims that one nail is a joke, but when it comes to 20, it's a heck of a job to open the box. . . . Congratulations to Mrs. Georgette Landry, who won the first prize at a dance recently. . . . Iverna, you look very nice with your new permanent. . . . What is that twinkle in your eyes, Dot? Is it love? . . . It's nice to be jack-of-all-trades, Marguerite. If you think that Gloria is a good battery hand you should come to the Pastime some Monday at 1 o'clock and see her bowl. Everybody is invited, quite interesting, too. . . . Welcome on the second shift to Mr. Boutet, who has taken Raoul Sevikny's place, being transferred to some other department, 3rd shift. We miss you. . . . We congratulate Gerry Tardif on becoming a daddy. His wife gave birth to their first son, Donald. Gerry is complaining not having enough sleep; we know why now. Gerry is the former second hand of the 13-2 department. Very proud of his job. . . . We are sorry to have lost a number of old friends, who have been transferred from the 1st shift to the 2nd shift. Hope you like it. . . . A hearty congratulations to all the newlyweds of this department. May you have health, happiness and prosperity in the years to come. . . . We also want to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Faucher, whose son was married on Armistice Day. Best of luck to the young couple. Mr. and Mrs. Faucher are both employed at Pepperell. . . . Sorry the football season is over for Emile Boisvert. He is quite a football fan. . . . Have all you people noticed how nice and pretty Lorette Cote looks in her new permanent. Cute, isn't she? Boys, she is single, too. . . . "Rudy" Lebel is trying very hard to lose weight although we girls make him work as hard as we can. He seems to be gaining every day. . . . We are glad to have Lorette Bouthet back with us after suffering a fracture of her hand. She is doing very well now. . . . At this time, we would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year.

SHEETING CLOTH ROOM

REPORTERS: Joan Hayes, Henrietta Labbe and Laura Allgrove

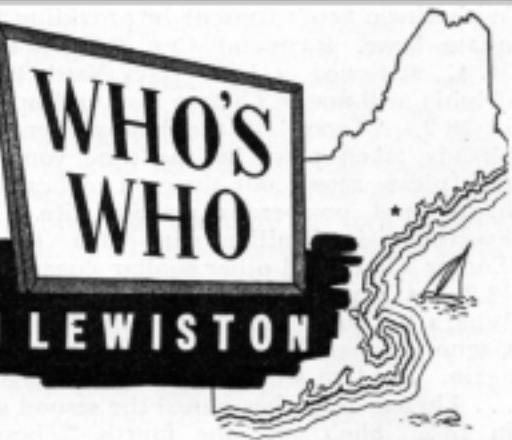
We welcome Fred Lavigne and Walter Derosiers to the 2nd shift as our new roll men. Do hope you'll like it, boys. . . . Well, Simone, if you are good, Santa may bring you a pair of roller skates for Christmas, so when you take a notion to leave our shift again, you will be able to get to the other's on time, eh. . . . Glad to hear, Vickie, that you have started a new business of your own in Biddeford. It is called "Vickie's Gift Shop." We wish you the best of luck. . . . Now Gladys, you'd better behave yourself at the Cafeteria with someone whose initials are D. W. or something exciting will happen and we will all be in on it. You lucky girl!! . . . Sorry to hear you are going to be laid up for a couple of weeks, Fred. We wish you a speedy recovery. . . . We are glad that Rita and Lucille are back with us once more since their leave of absence. . . . Looks as if Santa came all right this year as we all had a very nice time. Marie, we will all owe it to you and Santa!!! Be good girls. . . . We welcome Blanche Angers back. She has been out on account of a recent operation. She hasn't changed much. Same disposition. They say her bark is worse than her bite, though. . . . Rhea and her husband went on

a vacation. They spent a few days in Virginia. They also visited Washington, D. C., Norfolk, Baltimore and New York. Isn't it nice to be in the money? . . . Pauline B. has changed lately. She says people need new glasses. But personally I think it is something else. She is really looking better. Sparkles in her eyes, rosy cheeks. Maybe it was that young looking doctor. Was it, Pauline? If it is, I think I will pay him a visit. . . . Joey has also changed. I wonder if there is any connection there. What do you think, folks? Joey, have you gone to see that Doctor, too? . . . Pauline D. has moved into her new home at Ocean Park. Happy as a lark. . . . Theresa (Peanut) is also back to work. She has her hands pretty full with her twins. . . . I'll think of something for you next month (Carrie).

OFFICE

REPORTER: Hortense Finkelstein

With the New Year with us, and resolutions are still being made, we wonder how the following will make out a year from now: Austin Hobbins to be a St. Louis fan. . . . Bob Lacroix to tell it straight for 12 months. . . . Joan Benson would say "yes" to Donald. . . . Roger Cassavant pick the Red Sox for '49. . . . Betty Brown to talk natural. . . . Rita Begin would finish the sweater. . . . Lucille Lafleur would grow an inch taller. . . . Marion Hood adding on weight. . . . Elaine McMullen calling it quits with Kenneth. . . . Barb Goodchild busy every minute. . . . Gaby Boisvert to wear low heels. . . . Ray Beauchette wearing colored glasses. . . . Donald Pinette would stop reading the paper. . . . Gertrude Bolduc couldn't take a joke. . . . Paul Bolduc to stop laughing. . . . Elaine Fletcher to wear short skirts. . . . Almeda Currier would come in late. . . . Marie Hayes wouldn't smoke. . . . Stella Antonakos to smoke. . . . Beecher Dunn convert himself to a Democrat. . . . Leslie Leavitt couldn't roller skate. . . . Ann Paquette couldn't sing. . . . Armand Reny to stop crossing the street. . . . Priscilla Shevenelle would stop answering the phone. . . . Terese County would let her hair down. . . . Evangeline Hevey would walk instead of run. . . . Raymond Loranger wouldn't tease. . . . Kenneth Libby without a car. . . . Hortense would reveal herself.



STOREHOUSE

REPORTER: Jean Laval

Dan Lalonde is quite an expert with the Truck-tractor. He does everything but fly with it. The reason he can't do that is because there are no wings on the machine. . . . It is no use offering Ernest Gauvin cigars. He just won't accept them any more since the explosion. . . . They say Babe Lizotte was pretty well shaken up in a fall he had. Well, we saw him and we thought he was in the middle of the Atom Bomb test at Bikini. . . . This is the best part of the year for Robert Gilbert because of Basketball, Football and Hockey. Great sport fan, that boy. Willing to give reasonable odds, too. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Laliberte, whose daughter, Doris, was photographed by a certain studio, received a certificate of honorable mention in a recent contest for children. Good for you, Jerry, and your daughter, too. . . . We have just ordered another 50 cases of energy-giving food. This time it's Kix, Tom Mix's cereal. The Store House crew need to have their energy built up every so often. . . . Armand Tardif lost a deer almost in front of his nose, but his brother-in-law got it. Tough luck, kid, next time you'll get him. . . . Another great shot is Harvey Berube. Only he shoots with a billiard cue. . . . Charlie Simard, Ernest Gauvin (Charlie's constant companion), Alphonse Lebrun and Wallace Tierney, the piling and shipping crew, are a great combination. All devoted to each other, they click like a top. . . . Dana Stevens being out



It's easy to see that the pride and joy of the Faucher family is none other than seven-months-old Richard. His father, Maurice, and his mother, who is the former Simone Morin, are employees at the Pepperell plant in Lewiston.

sick, Henry Beaudoin was checking for him, and Larry Fontaine was checking for Henry. An up-and-coming man is Larry. He will be in a swivel chair yet. . . . Well, guess that is the news for this month. If you people out there have any news of your friends, let us in on it. Thank you.

NAPPING ROOM NO. 1

REPORTER: Joseph Wailus

Joe Lebrun, the mighty hunter of the Napping Room, got his deer this year. It was good eating wasn't it, Joe? . . . When you hear Gousse say, "Oh, my sad aching back," please don't laugh at him as that is what he has. It keeps getting out of place, he claims. . . . George Couturier is undefeated and still the champion acrobatic dancer of the Napping Room. What shall we crown him with, fellows? . . . Next time you go to use the sewing machine, Paul, see that it's all there before you start. . . . Poor Mr. Parent. He gets all tired out from getting his drink of water. No sooner does he get back to his machine than he's thirsty all over again. For a little man you drink plenty of water, Mr. Parent. . . . A Happy New Year to all, and that includes Mr. Berube.

OFFICE

REPORTER: Irene Jenkins

A group of the gals got together at Levasseur's recently for steak and clams. Audrey Harding and Lorraine Poulin had charge of the party. From all reports, we feel correct in issuing the statement that everybody had enough to eat. . . . Madeline Lizotte, Viola Martel, Hilma Murray, Georgette Renaud and Dot Wellender spent a very damp evening in Portland recently. The wet atmosphere was created by the elements, but they still had a good time!! . . . Lester Davis took a trip to Portland during the Grange Convention held there recently and almost got lost in the shuffle. "What a mob," said Lester. . . . "Babe" Dechene entertained the Knitting Club at her home on Prospect Hill recently. Nine members were present and they had a good time, even if they didn't do much knitting. . . . A month before Christmas "Bunny" Dufresne had her Christmas shopping all completed! We'd like to know when you started, Bunny, last June? . . . Gerry Myrand will have to spend the winter evenings around Lewiston. It's getting too cold to walk across the bridge. . . . If you don't know how it feels to awake at five past eight on a working day, ask Madeleine. . . . Dot Mynahan enjoyed her vacation "just resting." Sounds like a good idea to us. . . . Happy New Year, everyone!

FRAME ROOM

REPORTER: Michel Souri

Rodney "Toots" Pearson says that at \$16 per week for rent he has to eat at someone else's table once in a while or get into the red. Don't worry, Rod, we will soon take up a collection to buy the baby some shoes. . . . Bill Healey is still waiting to sing at the Cumberland or the Marvin. If he could only play the piano. . . . Buster Murphy is still holding his own and doing a very good job at it. . . . Leo Moreau has a three-piece band with Bill Healey playing 1st fiddle, Rodney Pearson on the 2nd fiddle and Leo Roy on bass violin. . . . Happy New Year to all.

MACHINE SHOP

REPORTER: Maurice Crowley

Fred Robideau, while hunting this fall, ran into a buck and a doe. Fred decided he would take the buck and give the other fellow the dough. In other words, he didn't feel like passing the buck. . . . The Machine Shop bowling team is not so hot this year. They haven't hit their stride yet. Some of the boys dislike the new pin setting machine.

. . . Mike Linehan and Axel Neilson are talking Ice Follies again this year, so something should be stirring before long. . . . Frank Jackson is very much disappointed this year. He didn't have much time to follow up his favorite sport, woodcock hunting. . . . Gil Long is anxiously waiting for the ice fishing season to open. Then there will be plenty of fish flying around. . . . Dennis Davis is thinking seriously of taking the agency for television sets. Some salesman, that boy. . . . Louis Caron has more frozen meat than Armour Co. What are you going to do with it all, Lou? . . . Bob Cameron is so crazy about fishing he can't resist a fishpond at a church bazaar. . . . No one knows why Bill McKenney raised so many beans unless he has a wood lot for sale. . . . Ask Joe Bilodeau the easy way to put on storm windows. Just like in Canada, ha, Joe? . . . Norm Vigue, of the Electric Shop, would like to get acquainted with Nipper-Nipper Diana. . . . Ed Haskell went woodcock hunting last fall and bagged a few which he placed in deep freeze and served as a surprise dinner to Frank Jackson and Cal Raymond. We bet the boys enjoyed it.

SHEET FACTORY

REPORTERS: Claire Faucher and Ann Foster

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gilbert, Jr., who on Nov. 16 became the proud parents of a 6½-lb. son, Alan Rickey. Mrs. Gilbert is the former Arlene Cook. . . . Rose Anne Levesque spent Thanksgiving in Brunswick and had herself a nice time. . . . The doublers are very much pleased with their new arrangement of working. . . . Irene Hammond says she has room to change her mind in her new quarters. . . . The press girls are rapidly becoming accustomed to the new presses. . . . Our most sincere sympathy is extended to Blanche Gagnon who lost her mother last month. . . . We certainly miss the burling girls since they moved downstairs. . . . Frances Caron had a wonderful trip to New York last month. And what sights she saw. . . . Roland Lacombe has made quite a hit since he started giving out work to the girls. . . . Marion McMahon reports that her newest granddaughter, Linda, is quite a baby and is doing real well. . . . Conrad Boulet was pretty mad because he didn't get roller skates from Santa Claus. He says he could use them. . . . Emma Claire says she is glad the hunting season is over even though she didn't get her deer. . . . Rita Paquette has been doing such a good job on ironing that she is thinking of opening a laundry. . . . Agnes Cychol thinks she is pretty special since she got a table of her own. . . . They say Irene Brochu was a great rooter for the Bates College football team. . . . Della Gowell is a great cake maker. We know because we have sampled some of her products. . . . Juliette Heutz is very proud of her new Buick convertible coupe and well she may be. Take good care of it now, Judy. . . . Tillie Lemieux lost a twenty dollar bill but was lucky enough to have an honest person like Lesilda Labrecque find it. Both of these girls are stitchers. . . . We hear that Emily Marcotte is also in the market for roller skates. A lot of ground to cover, eh Millie. . . . The population of the basement certainly has increased in the last few weeks. . . . Monique Turgeon will be glad when the boxing shows are resumed at the City Hall. Guess she missed all the excitement. . . . Myra Conley seems to be enjoying her new station in the basement. . . . To Cecile Beaulieu whose father died last month goes our heartfelt sympathy. . . . Vicki Stone looks pretty good in her pink sweater. . . . Delphine Lamarre is still with us and doing her share of the work. . . . Ella Mottram certainly keeps things spic and span on the lower floor. . . . Fernand Prince recently

bought himself a new house and we wish him the best of luck in it. . . . They say that Antoinette Leblanc's husband is a great woodworker and some of the things he turns out are really wonderful. . . . Medora Toutain is all ready for the icy season on Bleachery Hill. . . . Lillian Soule, who is a great baseball fan, can hardly wait for spring to come around. . . . Millie Lessard seems to like her new place in the basement. . . . Nellie Harris, Minnie Murphy and Yvonne Gastonguay are getting used to their new location. . . . Since Lillian Normando walked into the wrong room she has started a movement to have His and Hers signs set up. . . . Our Sheet Factory girls must be great movie fans. They certainly turned out in large numbers at Lisbon Falls last month to view a thriller. . . . Mary Victor and Avis Lee dined recently at the Plaza Grill. Like it, girls? . . . Helen Levesque says the St. Dom's hockey team will really go places this winter. . . . Everybody is pretty well tired out after the holidays. Some of the girls attended as many as six Christmas parties and that takes a lot of doing. . . . We wonder how many New Year's resolutions will be kept? . . . Heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Lauze who, on Thanksgiving Day, became the proud parents of a fine 8½-lb. son. Mrs. Lauze is the former Mabel Turcotte, a Sheet Factory stitcher, and Mr. Lauze is employed in the Bleach House. . . . Yvette Clinque has recently moved into her new home and we wish her the best of everything in it.

WHITE FOLDING ROOM

REPORTER: Jules Potvin

Alfred Dionne received a lot of compliments for the fine picture of him which appeared on the back cover of last month's Sheet. His boss, Freddie David, also heard plenty about it. . . . Tommy O'Brien says this is the time of year when one appreciates the sharp and invigorating breezes of Bleachery Hill. . . . Paul Lavigne finds it increasingly difficult to get in any roadwork as the ground freezes and patches of ice appear on the highways. . . . Jack Turner has holed himself up for the winter. He won't venture very far away from Strawberry Patch now until next spring. . . . Years may come and years may go but Toby Joyce goes on forever. His bowling scores would put many younger bowlers to shame. . . . Marty Norton is finding it more difficult trekking through the pasture to work. He thinks he will have to start going the long way round. . . . As far as we have been able to find out, everyone in this department enjoyed himself over the holidays and fared pretty well at the hands of Santa Claus.

COLORED FOLDING ROOM

REPORTER: Gideon Leblanc

Dido Leclair has been getting in a little ice skating on the Webber Ave. pond. They say he cuts quite a figure. . . . Papa Tommy Lorgan says he had no idea there was so much work attached to bringing up a youngster. You haven't seen anything yet, Tommy. . . . Medi Beland says the wind blows pretty hard across the South bridge but we don't know how he can tell. The bus windows are always closed. . . . Vic St. Denis, after due thought, has finally decided that the Red Eddies of Auburn should be acclaimed as the schoolboy football champions of the State for 1948. . . . Gloria Boisvert had a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. What more could she ask for? . . . Foreman John McKenna wishes all of his employees, as well as the entire Pepperell family, the best of everything for the New Year. . . . What happened to all our mighty hunters this past fall? We don't remember hearing any of them bragging about the deer they got.



SPINNING DEPT.

REPORTER: Marie F. Pestana

A prosperous New Year to everyone. . . Our department wishes to extend to Miss Corkum our sincerest sympathy upon the death of her sister. . . We're hoping that by the time this Sheet comes to press, Eva Chmura's husband will be well on his way to recovery after his recent operation. . . Mary Vail is back to work again. Here's hoping sickness stays away from her door. . . Congratulations are in order for Mary (Buckley) Holden. She has added another member to her little family. A bouncing baby boy. Lots of good health and luck to all three of you. . . Jack O'Brien hurt his finger recently. We're sorry to hear about it and hope that it is better by now. . . It was very nice having you working with us, Lauretta Coderre. Your friendly disposition surely makes it easy to get along with everyone. . . Augusto Dias is now working on the second shift. Seems very much at home. Look at all the money you could save with those shut-in evenings. . . Just take a gander at Jim Jennings. Getting a bit chubby these days aren't you, Jim? Why not tell William Bernart what kind of vitamins you're taking? . . . Did you have a nice time at your nephew's wedding, Ennorina Silvia? I guess you are willing to agree with me now that the new generation is really clever. Lots of luck to the newly-weds. . . Rosario Gagnon's baby is now one year old. Doesn't time go by fast? You'll soon be taking him to school, Rosario. . . Irene Ramalho finally took time out to visit with me. Next time try to stay a little longer. We sure enjoyed our little chat. . . Dorilla Labrecque's sisters were in to visit our department. We sure were glad to see and speak with them. . . Anita Caouette's name can be added to our Grandmother's list. How does it feel, Anita? . . . Whenever you meet Joe Surette, the first question you will probably ask is, "Where are you now, Joe?" He certainly must be a good checker player from his recent showing here with us. . . Lady Luck was with Laura Comeau when she won herself a turkey for Thanksgiving. Good for you, Laura. . . Irene Berry was tended a shower in honor of her approaching marriage. She is the daughter of Alice Frechette. Good luck to you, Irene.

RAYON DEPT.

REPORTER: Anna Houde

My, how time does fly! Another year has come and gone and here it is 1949. To you people who have had misfortunes in 1948, we wish a brighter and happier New Year. To you people who have had a successful year, we wish continued prosperity. All in all, folks, a very happy and prosperous New Year to each and every one of you. . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Dionne on the birth of their first child, a 6 pound, 11 ounce girl. The stork got around to the Dionne home after by-passing them for 11 years. Gilbert is the proudest man in this vicinity. . . Cremilde Gomes is looking forward to having a pianist in her family. She has bought a

new piano for her daughter, Mary Lou. Make her toe the mark when she starts practising, Cremilde, and your dream will come true. . . Imelda Levesque had a delightful evening in Providence recently. She attended the musical production "Show Boat" and enjoyed it very much. . . The day I told Evelyn Spencer about it, she gave quite a performance in the creels. . . Dorothy Furtado saw Leo Houle stroking his hair recently and in answer to her query of "What are you doing, Leo?", he quickly replied, "I'm feeling to see if my hair is growing." Witty, Leo, that's what you are. . . I certainly wish Mariette Pouliot had brought her Halloween costume in for us to see. From the description of it, we would have had some good laughs. . . If you want to see how versatile Henry Shoard is, take a ride by his home and see what a good job he has done in painting and shingling it. He's a good man to have around the house isn't he, Doris? . . . Phyllis Nisbet bought herself a cute little brown hat recently. I'll bet you looked stunning in it. . . We're late in extending these greetings, but they are sincere when we wish Elsie Cabral and John Genest a happy birthday. . . New permanents are plentiful. Imelda Levesque, Edna Theriault and Annette Aubin are the girls who are sporting them. . . I've heard it said that Annette's dimples are more prominent now than she has a short hair-do. . . Somehow or other John Santos never seems to get in the limelight, so, we'd like to take this opportunity to welcome him to our third shift winding dept. Hope you enjoy our company, John. . . Have you heard about the supersonic salesman we have in our midst? He's Harry Newton. He can sell you anything from a collar button to an auto battery. . . It certainly was nice of Gil Affonso to keep us posted on the election returns. Thanks from all of us, Gil. . . Did you folks know Orlando Camara is making a bed puff of pigeon feathers. . . We didn't have Mr. Lombardo with us very long after his recent illness, but we're not that selfish as to wish he hadn't left us. We like him a great deal, but who are we to stand in the way of advancement? He is now Superintendent of the Cotton Weaving Dept. Congratulations! We'll see you around. We hate to have you leave us but we're tickled pink about your promotion. . . Welcome back to Pepperell, Bill Gempp. Hope you find it as enjoyable as the Merchant Marine.

at their home. We would like to wish you good luck, good health and many more years together. . . Mr. and Mrs. Urbain Pariseau were married twelve years ago this past November. They did their celebrating the real old-fashioned way, by going to a Barn Dance in Westport, Mass. Urbain claims you can't beat the old-fashioned ways. . . We were very sorry to hear Miss Corkum's sister passed away. We would like to extend our deepest sympathies.

CARDING DEPARTMENT

REPORTER: Catherine Fallon

We hope Mary Patenaude enjoyed her weekend in Connecticut. . . What's the matter with the bowling girls this year? They can't seem to get started. . . What a sleepy-head Joe Warchol is now. He doesn't go fishing anymore. His wife can't seem to get him up. . . We wish Maria S. Pacheco, who was married recently, the best of luck. . . I hope the girls enjoy spending their Christmas Club money. . . Mr. Bessette has recently returned from a trip down South. We hope he enjoyed himself.

"B" CLOTH ROOM

REPORTER: Vera Isabel

We all wish Mary Barek a speedy recovery after her recent operation. . . Ask Anna Clancy, Marie Priestner and Mary Lyons to smile and show you their pearly white teeth. . . Better late than never. I didn't find out in time for last month's news. Mabel Burke has retired. Mabel worked in B Cloth for 18 yrs. Sorry to see you leave, Mabel. We hope you will enjoy being home.

MAINTENANCE DEPT.

REPORTER: Kay Buckley

Going to the extremes for a report, I figured I'd ask the fellas what it was that finally made up their minds about getting married. The answers were as follows: Manny Santos—"It was nothing in particular with Mary. Just everything was perfect." He guesses he was in a haze and says he still is in one. (Tell us, Mary, what's this hypnotic power you have?) Elliot Moss—"Don't know. They say love is blind and boy I blinded. All I could see was the fact that I wanted to get married." He's been married for 13 years and claims it doesn't seem possible. Believe me, Eleanor, you have my congratulations. Anyone who can do that is pretty good. (But natch—huh Elliot!!) . . . Anyone wanting to buy eggs, just come in to the shop and see our own farmer, Leo Durand. Leo's loan of chickens is finally paying off. . . We now have two new faces to get dirty in the shop, Jim Hampton and Norm Audet. The only trouble is that they're so quiet you hardly know they're here. Something unusual for the shop. . . Much as we hate to do it, we bid farewell to our glamour boy of the Boiler Room, Ray Barnes. Ray is getting away from the dirty coal and is going to work in Melville with the nice clean oil! Needless to say, Ray, we'll miss your charming disposition and dirty face.

"A" CLOTH ROOM

REPORTER: T. Waterworth

We welcome the return to work of Lilly Armstrong. Lilly left us some five years ago. . . We notice Louis Codeiro driving to work in a nice new car. How do you do it, Louis? . . . The bird hunters are doing swell. Soon they'll start on the sea gulls.

"B" WEAVE ROOM

REPORTER: Irene Cyr

We wish you all a Happy New Year. . . We are glad to see Angelo Cerce well and back with us again. . . Well, Dan Methot, what have you to say about those curls you once had? We girls would like to know what's happened to them. We don't like to see them fade away. . . Irene Corra, one of our weavers, is quite pleased that her son's tonsils are out. Hope he feels better. . . Congratulations, Virgil Casemiro. His wife gave birth to a son, and he is proud! . . . If you think Lauretta Coderre has left us, think again. You'll find her on the winders in the Spinning Room. Glad to see you so close, Lauretta. . . Mr. and Mrs. Bill Taylor recently celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary. It was a nice family affair held

CAFETERIA

REPORTER: Kay Buckley

I would have given anything to see Loda Gagnon the other day. (So would the little guys in the white coats.) Loda says she was so mad she was talking (that's putting it mild) to herself. She was cleaning her gas stove, which is situated near a window. While cleaning one side, her head got caught between the wall and the stove and she couldn't get free for about five minutes. Now are you convinced you've got a big head, Loda? (I'm not insinuating you're conceited or anything like that, but!!!!)

IT'S OPEN SEASON FOR FALLS ON THE ICE!

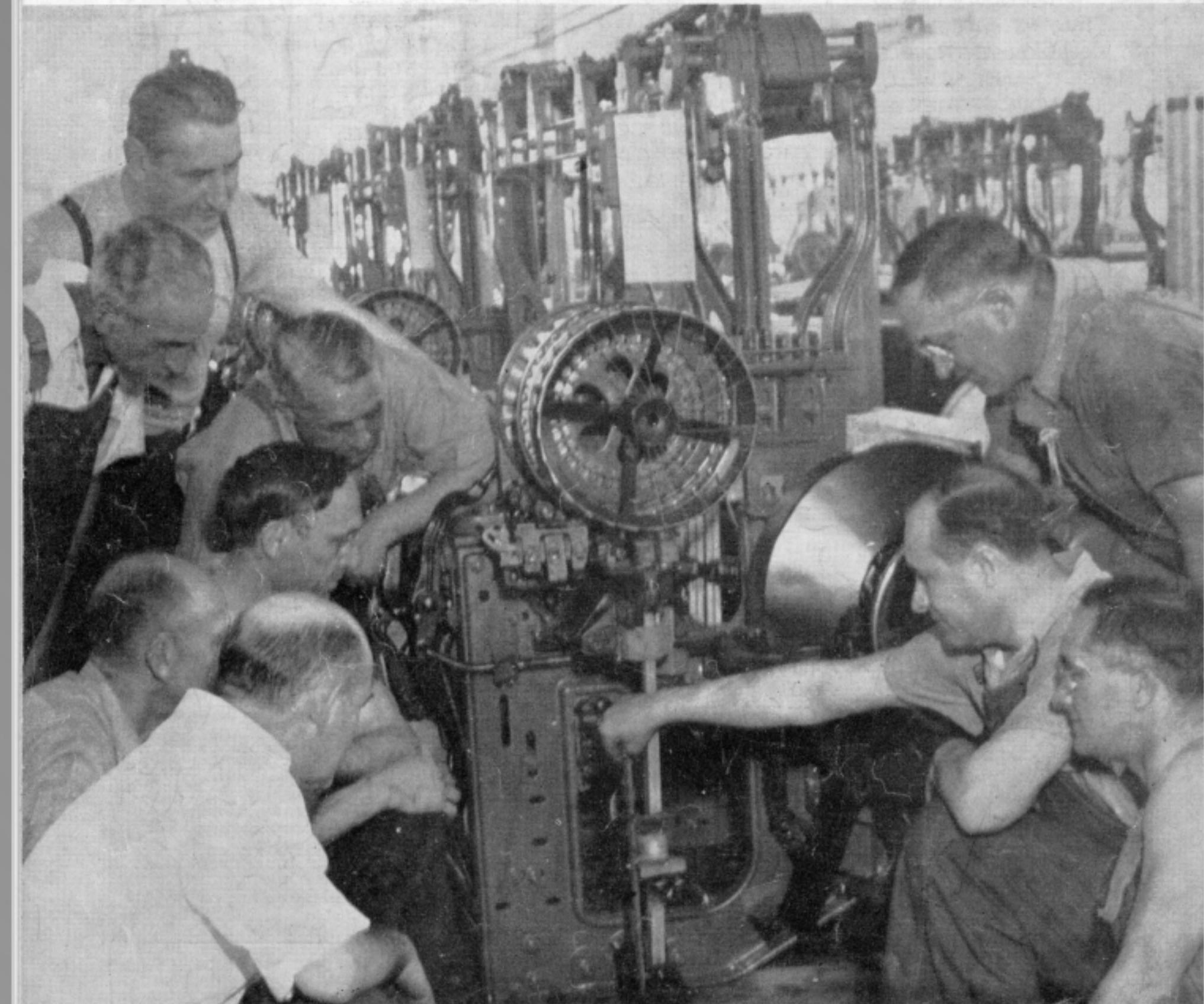
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OLD DOGS LEARN NEW TRICKS. . . Fall River Rayon Loomfixers learn new techniques required for new high speed looms in a Saturday morning instruction class, given by Head Loomfixer Eddie Gazarro under the supervision of Superintendent Oscar Guyer. These Loomfixers are all skilled and experienced men, but new settings are required on high speed looms, and they are eager to learn the latest methods. On the left, from the bottom up, are Second Hands Leo Houle and William Gempp; and John Genest, Louis Rossi, Edgar Boucher, and Oscar Guyer. On the right are Wilfred Gauthier, Eddie Gazarro and Manuel Branco.

